

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ರಾಮೇಗೌಡ.—ಇಂಡಸ್ಟ್ರಿಯಲ್ ಡಿಪಾರ್ಟ್‌ಮೆಂಟಿನ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಾಕಾದಷ್ಟು ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಇಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಾ ಇದ್ದಾರೆ ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಈ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ವನ್ನು ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ರಾಮಕೃಷ್ಣ ಹೆಗ್ಗಡೆ.—ನಮಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿರುವ ಹಾಗೆ ಅಂತಹ ತೊಂದರೆ ಇದ್ದ ಹಾಗೆ ಕಂಡು ಬರಲಿಲ್ಲ.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Questions are over.

Member's Representations.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿದ್ದಯ್ಯ ಕಾಶೀಮಠ.—(ನಿರಹಟ್ಟಿ) ಕೇವಲ 3 ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾತ್ರ ಇವತ್ತಿನ ದಿವಸದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಪಟ್ಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಕಿದ್ದಾರೆ, ಬೇಕಾದಷ್ಟು ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳು ಇದ್ದರೂ ಕೂಡ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರಿಂದ ಸರಿಯಾದ ಉತ್ತರ ಬರಲಿಲ್ಲ. ತೀವ್ರಗತಿಯಿಂದ ಉತ್ತರಗಳನ್ನು ತರಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕೇಳಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

Sri SANJEEVANATH AIKALA (Suratkal) — Sir, I understand 900 questions are pending with the Government. We are having only three questions today. The way in which this Government is functioning is rather unsatisfactory.

Sri S. SIVAPPA (Sravanabelgola).—Sir, regarding the questions and answers supplied, this is not the first time, we are bringing to the notice of the House through you. Several times, we have raised this question, and we have expressed our concern that answers to many questions are not forthcoming as promptly as we expect. Today it is reduced to three. At this rate, I do not know where we are going. I do not know what the Government is doing in spite of the warnings and directions given by the Speaker. It is becoming more and more leathergic. Probably, at this rate, a time may come when this House may go without the question-hour and probably that may be their intention also. So, I request you sir, either to direct the Government to supply the answers for the questions which we have sent or the Government must come out with the truth and admit that they are incapable of supplying answers. They must come out. At least then we will be able to understand them. This manner of treating the House rather lightly is very dangerous. Government is becoming more and more leathergic. Some solution must be found. I request the Speaker to ascertain from the Government why they are leathergic.

Sri G. V. GOWDA (Palya).—Questions to which answers are available at the Secretariat are also not furnished. That is my grievance. Out of 25 questions, 24 questions refer to matters for which answers are available at the Secretariat level. Since four or five months, these answers are not forthcoming.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಭಾಸ್ಕರ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ (ಕಾಪು).—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ಈ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸಭೆಯು ಸಾಧಾರಣ ಎರಡೂವರೆ ಕೋಟಿ ಜನತೆಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟಂತೆ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನ ನಿತ್ಯ ಕುಳಿತು ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳನ್ನು ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಾ ಇರುವಾಗ ನಮ್ಮ ಈ ರಾಜ್ಯದ ಅಧಿಕಾರದ ಲಗಾಮನ್ನು ಹಿಡಿದಿರತಕ್ಕ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಈ ಸಭೆಯನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಲಕ್ಷಿಸಿ ಇವತ್ತು ಕೊಯಮತ್ತೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಂಘದ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆಯನ್ನು ವಹಿಸಲಿಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಕೊಯಮತ್ತೂರಿನ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಂಘದ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆ ಮುಖ್ಯವೇ ಅಥವಾ

(ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಭಾಸ್ಕರ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ)

ಇಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯುವ ವ್ಯವಹಾರ ಮುಖ್ಯವೇ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ನಾವು ತಿಳಿದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ ಮಾತ್ರವಲ್ಲದೆ ತಾವು ಅವರಮೇಲೆ ಸೂಕ್ತವಾದ ಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು. ಈ ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಗಂಡಾಂತರ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿ ಬಂದು, ಫೋಲಿಸ್ ರಾಜ್ಯದ ಆಡಳಿತದಲ್ಲಿ ಜನತೆ ಪೂರಾ ಹೋಗುತ್ತಾ ಇದೆ.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA (Sira).—May I just put it to the Government—Government is wasting their time and they have no time to furnish answers. That is the sanctity they attach to the work of this House. They are spending all their time in thinking 'whom shall I penalise': That is the point raised. There are so many *sarvagnas* on the other side. They do not apply their mind to the business of this House. This is the tenth time that I have brought to your notice and through you to the notice of the Government. What can the Hon'ble Finance Minister do about this? Can he with a whip-hand ask the Ministers to do it? It is only the Chief Minister who can do it. My friend Sri Bhaskar Setty has pointed out that the person who is in charge as Chief Minister, he must be in a position to answer these matters in this August House. In the absence of the Chief Ministers, even if the Finance Minister says, 'we will be able to get them'—I do not know how many Ministers will take his word and regard him or respect the views of this House and respect the Chair. I request the Hon'ble Chair to view this matter very seriously and see that a direction is given. If answers are not given, the course of action is left to the Chair. It is a matter with which the Hon'ble Speaker has to deal. I appeal to the Chair to see that answers are got as quickly as possible.

9-30 A.M.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಭಾಸ್ಕರಶೆಟ್ಟಿ.—ನನ್ನೆ ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ ಅಧಿವೇಶನದ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭೋತ್ಸವವನ್ನು ನೆರವೇರಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ವಿಧಾನಸಭೆ ನಡೆಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದುದರಿಂದ ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಬರಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಅದೇ ಇಂದು ಅವರು ಕೊಯಮತ್ತೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಂಘದ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆ ವಹಿಸಲು ಹೋಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದು ಸರಿಯೇ?

Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Finance).—Sir, the responsibility of the Ministers is joint and several. This is not the first time we have to get advice from my esteemed Hon'ble friend Sri Muckannappa.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—I request my friend the Hon'ble Minister for Finance to let me know to what extent he is going to fulfil his promise if he makes a promise to this House.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Minister for Municipal Administration).—There is a way of representing...

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—My friend the Minister for Municipal Administration is becoming a *Sarvagna* Sir.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—On the floor of the House, it is the right of every legislator to place his difficulties and it is the responsibility of the Government to satisfy him. That, I accept. Whether I reply on behalf of the other Ministers or any other Minister, it is all the same. The Chief Minister has gone out for an important work...

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—What important work?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Let me finish. It is not correct on the part of the Hon'ble Minister to interfere when I am on my legs. According to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the work is very important and he has got a right to go.

(Sri Bhaskara Shetty stood up to interrupt)

Unless it is a point of order, I am not yielding. When I am talking it is not right on the part of the Hon'ble Member to interfere. I do not interrupt when others are speaking. The other Ministers who are present here will take the entire responsibility. I will explain the latest position with regard to questions. The number of questions admitted and sent to Government are 775. The number of questions for which replies have been received are 426. The number of questions answered on the floor of the House are 397, including today's list. The number of replies that are ready are 29. Among these, 12 replies pertain to members who are under detention, and suspension, and the replies kept back on the request of Ministers and members pertain to 10 questions due to similar questions having been answered. The number of questions for which replies are ripe, but still due is 244. The number of questions for which the replies are not ripe is 105. Extension of time has been asked for and got in the case of 73 questions. The only point which needs explanation is with regard to the number of questions for which replies are ripe but still due, *i.e.*, 244 questions. Whatever replies can be given at the Secretariat level in consultation with the Heads of Department within 15 days, we are giving. But where answers have to be got from districts and taluks—in such cases, if detailed replies are necessary Hon'ble Members will have to wait. Otherwise replies will not be satisfactory to the legislators as these will be cursory replies only. In order to satisfy the members, we are taking more time. There also, we take the permission of the Chair and furnish answers.

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—The Hon'ble Finance Minister was pleased to state that extension of time has been asked for with regard to 70 or 80 questions. May I know when this extension of time was asked for and under what rules of procedure. I know that this extension has been asked after the expiry of time permitted in the rules. The second point is, the Hon'ble Finance Minister said that the Chief Minister has gone out of the State to fulfil an important engagement. I want to know which is that important engagement which permitted the Chief Minister to leave this House, when we are discussing financial matters of the State. Is that programme or the work which he is going to attend more important than the Assembly work? This House has a right to demand the Government to say how it is important and where is it and where did he go. That is a very important issue. The Chief Minister cannot go unless it is very emergent or if it is in the defence of the country or some such thing. If it is an ordinary social function of opening the Karnataka Sangha, I would like to know whether it is more important than the Assembly work. I want to know how the Finance Minister said that it is important. I want him to justify how it is more important than the Assembly work.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Sir, Defence is not a subject of the State. There is no question of the Chief Minister or any other Minister of the State thinking of Defence. Secondly whether the work for which he has gone is important or not is a matter to be decided by the Chief Minister and not by other members.

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—Sir, it is an evasive answer. As the Hon'ble Finance Minister put it right, it is the Chief Minister who has to answer. I am requesting the Hon'ble Speaker to let me know whether the Chief Minister is in order to leave this House at this important juncture and attend this holiday function, a social gathering.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Today, the Chief Minister is not concerned with any of the Demands.

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—Sir, I am raising another point and a most important point. I have already given notice of an adjournment motion, regarding the incident which happened, regarding the affair of Nuggehalli. It is an urgent issue. Due to the incapacity of the Government—when I made a statement, you were pleased to state.....

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—After taking up the Call Attention motion, this matter may be taken up. I am not speaking on any other subject. There is a calling attention notice. After it is disposed of, the Chair may allow other things. I want to point out that only.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Sri Sivappa wanted to know about the adjournment motion. I may inform him that it has been disallowed.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE *Re*: CHOLERA EPIDEMIC IN ARSIKERE TALUK, GANGAVATHI TOWN, HOSPET AND ROUND ABOUT.

Calling Attention

Sri H. R. KESHAVAMURTHY (Gandasi).—I wish to call the attention of the Hon'ble Health Minister regarding the spread of cholera at Arsikere Taluk and other places of the State.

Sri SANJEEVANATH AIKALA (Suratkal).—I call attention of the Health Minister to the prevalence of cholera in Hospet, Bellary District and Gangavathi Panchayat area in Raichur District and the failure of the Government in the prevention of the spread of this epidemic.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ವಿ. ರೇವಣಸಿದ್ಧಪ್ಪ (ತಿಪಟೂರು).—ಅರಸೀಕೆರೆ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಕೆಲವು ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ, ಗಂಗಾವತಿ, ಹೊಸಪೇಟೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸುತ್ತಮುತ್ತಲಿನ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಲರಾ ಅಂಚು ಜಾಡ್ಯದ ಪ್ರಯುಕ್ತ ಉದ್ಭವಿಸಿರುವ ಪರಿಸ್ಥಿತಿಯ ಕಡೆಗೆ ಅರೋಗ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ಗಮನವನ್ನು ಸೆಳೆಯುತ್ತೇನೆ.